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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 6.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, September 5, 2010**. The corn harvest in Mississippi is winding to a close as soybean’s and cotton’s harvests begin. Cotton producers report defoliating their crop, and farmers have started digging peanuts. Overall, the weather has been beneficial for farmers getting their crop out of the field. Soil moisture was rated 12 percent very short, 36 percent short, 50 adequate, and 2 percent surplus.

Crop progress for week ending September 5, 2010				
Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, dent	100	100	100	100
Corn, mature	100	97	97	97
Corn, harvested	92	73	62	66
Corn Silage, harvested	99	98	98	97
Cotton, open bolls	86	71	38	60
Cotton, harvested	9	2	0	2
Hay-Warm Season, harvested	87	84	88	88
Peanuts, harvested	5	2	0	3
Rice, headed	100	100	100	99
Rice, mature	96	86	58	65
Rice, harvested	50	40	16	16
Sorghum, coloring	100	99	100	99
Sorghum, mature	99	97	92	91
Sorghum, harvested	75	30	13	52
Soybeans, setting pods	100	99	100	100
Soybeans, turning color	86	70	56	76
Soybeans, dropping leaves	72	49	36	58
Soybeans, harvested	39	20	13	33
Sweet Potatoes, harvested	9	7	11	11

Crop condition for week ending September 5, 2010					
Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn	6	13	27	43	11
Cotton	4	9	26	47	14
Hay	2	12	27	45	14
Livestock	1	7	35	48	9
Pasture	5	26	33	30	6
Peanuts	3	7	12	20	58
Rice	1	4	19	47	29
Sorghum	4	10	30	52	4
Soybeans	6	13	30	38	13
Sweet Potatoes	0	1	12	55	32

Comments

“Producers have had a good run at getting crops out. Except for the brief break from the rain last weekend, the harvest hasn't slowed any. The weather has been good, but yields vary greatly across the county.”

— Jimbo Burkhalter, Tallahatchie

“Corn harvest is wrapping up and the yields have been better than expected. Cotton defoliation started in earnest this week, and more will be going out next week. Armyworms are starting to hit pastures and yards again in large numbers.”

— Stephen Winters, Grenada

“Cotton defoliation, harvesting, and ginning are off to an excellent start. Soybean and rice harvest is going well with good yields. The corn harvest is finished. Most of the corn still standing in the fields will be abandoned due to high alfatoxin levels.”

— Jerry Singleton, Leflore

“Ideal weather has harvest moving along nicely, our earliest cotton has begun being picked and is yielding well.”

— Strider McCrory, Sunflower

“The majority of corn has been cut, and recent rains have really helped finish out a lot of the soybean crop.”

— Reid Nevins, Clay

“Growers had a good week harvesting, and there should be more cotton ready to pick this week.”

— Don Respass, Coahoma

“Combines and truck trailers are wide open. Yields are varying widely, but there haven’t been any catastrophic losses. Weather has been extremely cooperative.”

— Charlie Bush Bolivar

“Corn and soybean harvest is moving along nicely. Cotton harvest should get going this week.”
— Don Respass, Quitman

“Looking forward to some rain. Soil is very dry & hard.”
— Shelli Benton, Tate

“Harvest is moving along on a record pace.”
— Lester Stephens, Washington

“The harvest is progressing well, with scattered areas of lodged corn. Corn will soon be finished; and we will be moving to soybeans and cotton. It seems a little odd that we are having good weather for harvesting for a change. Let's hope it lasts long enough to finish.”
— Ernest Flint, Attala

Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending September 5, 2010

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation			
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	DFN	Rain Days	Four Weeks
Upper Delta									
Clarksdale	91	59	79	78	1	0.00	-0.62	0	1.68
Cleveland	95	54	78	79	-1	0.53	-0.13	1	0.60
Lambert 1W	97	51	78			0.93	0.19	1	1.05
Tunica 2N	93	56	79	77	2	0.00	-0.58	0	0.65
Extreme/Average	97	51	78	78		0.37	-0.28	1	1.00
North-Central									
Batesville 2SW	94	51	77	76	1	0.40	-0.29	1	0.84
Hickory Flat	92	47	73	76	-3	0.49	-0.40	2	1.28
Holly Springs	91	45	74	75	-1	0.50	-0.32	2	2.63
Independence	94	48	74	76	-2	0.45	-0.32	1	1.42
Oxford	93	52	76	76		0.92	0.08	1	2.77
Extreme/Average	94	45	75	77	-2	0.55	-0.26	1	1.79
Northeast									
Booneville	91	51	73	76	-3	0.65	-0.18	1	1.81
Corinth 7W	93	49	73	77	-4	0.38	-0.51	1	3.28
Iuka	90	50	73	74	-1	0.00	-0.95	0	3.10
Pontotoc Exp	92	52	75	77	-2	0.22	-0.65	1	1.25
Tupelo 2	93	55	75			0.67	0.00	1	1.99
Verona	94	51	76	78	-2	0.71	-0.27	1	2.34
Extreme/Average	94	49	74	77	-3	0.44	-0.41	1	2.30
Lower Delta									
Belzoni	93	58	79	79		0.10	-0.50	1	0.36
Moorhead	95	56	79	79		0.20	-0.45	1	0.60
Rolling Fork	94	53	78	79	-1	0.06	-0.56	1	3.16
Stoneville Exp	96	52	79	79		0.14	-0.47	2	0.25
Yazoo City	95	58	80	79	1	0.00	-0.65	0	2.58
Extreme/Average	96	52	79	79		0.10	-0.53	1	1.39
Central									
Canton 4N	94	50	77	79	-2	0.00	-0.68	0	0.68
Forest 3S	90	61	76	78	-2	0.00	-0.91	0	9.42
Kosciusko	93	54	75	78	-3	0.21	-0.57	1	0.53
Winona 5E	91	50	75	75		1.09	0.30	2	2.38
Extreme/Average	94	50	76	78	-2	0.33	-0.44	1	3.25
East-Central									
Aberdeen	92	53	73	77	-4	0.62	-0.13	2	1.43
Columbus	95	54	76	79	-3	0.00	-0.85	0	5.30
Louisville	92	59	77	77	0	0.82	0.05	1	4.83
Macon	93	52	75	78	-3	0.70	-0.14	2	2.06
State University	95	57	77	78	-1	0.64	-0.13	2	1.54
Extreme/Average	95	52	76	78	-2	0.56	-0.25	1	2.58
Southwest									
Crystal Springs	90	55	78	79	-1	0.32	-0.67	1	7.82
Natchez	91	55	78	79	-1	0.06	-0.85	1	8.95
Port Gibson 1NE	93	53	78	78		0.47	-0.28	1	1.13
Vicksburg	92	54	79			0.27	0.00	1	2.53
Extreme/Average	93	53	78	79	-1	0.28	-0.63	1	6.43
South-Central									
Collins	91	56	77	78	-1	0.50	-0.46	1	5.90
Columbia	93	61	80	79	1	0.49	-0.50	2	7.06
Monticello	96	64	80	79	1	0.52	-0.39	1	4.54
Raleigh 6N	90	52	75			0.36	0.00	2	6.37
Extreme/Average	96	52	78	79	-1	0.47	-0.51	2	5.97
Southeast									
Hattiesburg	91	64	78	80	-2	1.60	0.55	2	5.77
Laurel	92	55	77	79	-2	2.05	1.07	3	5.47
Newton Exp	94	50	76	78	-2	0.31	-0.53	1	2.74
Waynesboro 2W	95	60	81	78	3	1.33	0.37	1	6.03
Extreme/Average	95	50	78	79	-1	1.32	0.40	2	5.00
State	97	45	77	78	-1	0.52	-0.30	1	3.57

DFN = Departure from Normal.